GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:23
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Cyber Security
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of cyber attacks and cyber crimes reported along with the estimated loss suffered therein during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the details of instances of misuse of social media for radicalisation and propagating terrorism reported during the said period, State-wise;

(c) the number of social media accounts shut down during the said period;

(d) the details of mechanism put in place to monitor the social media to thwart such nefarious activities; and

(e) the measures taken by the Government to ensure safety of security forces and other intelligence agencies from cyber attacks and impart training to deal with cyber crimes along with the action plan for an effective cyber security strategy in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.
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STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*23 FOR 19.07.2016.

(a) & (b): The details of registered incidents of cyber-attacks and crimes including misuse of social media for radicalisation and propagating terrorism for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015, state-wise, are at Annexure-I. The details of cyber attacks for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015, country-wide, are at Annexure-II.

(c): The details of URLs of social media websites blocked during the years 2013, 2014 and 2015 under Section 69A of Information Technology Act, 2000 are 13, 10 and 587 respectively. Further, 533, 432 and 632 URLs of social media websites were also blocked in compliance with the directions of various competent Courts during the years 2013, 2014 and 2015 respectively.

(d): Government takes action under Section 69A of Information Technology Act, 2000 for blocking of social media websites/specific Web pages with objectionable contents, whenever requests are received from designated nodal officers or upon Court orders. Government also blocks any information generated, transmitted, received, stored or hosted in any
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Computer Resource in the interest of Sovereignty and Integrity of India, defence of India, security of the State, friendly relations with foreign States or public order or for preventing incitement to the commission of any cognizable offence relating to above.

(e): With a view to ensure safety of security forces and intelligence agencies from cyber attack/cyber crimes Government issues alerts and advisories regarding latest cyber threats and countermeasures on regular basis. The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) conducts regular training programmes in the areas of cyber security, conducts mock drills to enable assessment of cyber security posture and preparedness of organizations and critical sectors of Government. The centre also makes efforts towards establishing the "Botnet cleaning and Malware Analysis centre" to detect and clean infected systems in the country. The Government has put in place a training mechanism for law enforcing agencies through its cyber training centres across the country.

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